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NEW HOTEL IS FORMALLY OPENED

A Fine Banquet, Good Program and
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Prominent Grayling and Bay City Citizens Make
Fine Speeches.

Paramount to the features entering into the celebration of the opening of Shoppennagon's Inn last Thursday was the banquet and program in the evening. It was a problem to handle the crowd, but Mine Host Finn was there with the goods. Room was the only thing lacking.

By spreading tables in the dining room and lobby with just enough aisle room for serving enabled them to seat 173 guests. Soon after "six bells," with the members of Bay City Board of Commerce in advance, the company marched from the Grayling Social Club rooms to the hotel, which for the first time opened its doors for service.

Sixty who were unable to find seats were served in the Royal Cafe, next door to the hotel.

Clark's orchestra was playing softly in the ladies' parlor, and as soon as all were seated there was a flurry of young girl waiters, their entrance eliciting a hearty applause. Everything went like clock work and there was little commotion in serving this large gathering. Each table contained bouquets of carnations.

The menu was delicious and consisted of consomme, celery, olives and pickles. Baked white fish with parsley sauce and roast young turkey with cranberry sauce. New green peas, new cream potatoes and head lettuce with thousand island dressing. Ice cream, cake, Rouquefort cheese and crackers. Coffee and cigars. Champagne was served with the first course, and the banquet opened with a cheering toast to the new hostelry.

During the banquet, the orchestra played several selections, and J. Fred Alexander, Grayling's popular bartender, sang several pleasing solos. There was an air of merriment throughout the whole evening, and but few escaped being the victim of some song.

Because of the early schedule for the departure of the Bay City train, little time was wasted.

Thorwald W. Hanson, as toastmaster, opened the program by introducing Mayor Hans Petersen, who, in behalf of the people of Grayling, welcomed the visitors in a most cordial and pleasing manner, to "The only town on the Map." He told something of the industrial growth of Grayling and of the hope of the future. His talk was brief, but full of earnestness and running over with enthusiasm for his home town.

Mayor F. P. S. Kelton, of Bay City, responded to Mr. Petersen's talk. Among the many things Mayor Kelton stated were that:

"I was particularly glad to be asked to address you at this banquet, and particularly at this time—the opening of this fine new hotel."

"There comes a turning point—a time when the future of a city rests upon a pivotal point—and it depends entirely upon the course taken at this most critical time whether you lift or lower the lever of future development."

"Our Wenonah park in Bay City, which certainly is a beautiful and ideally located park from a civic standpoint, at first thought does not seem so important from a development standpoint; however, Wenonah park was that lifting force on the lever which was a starter of a new prosperity for Bay City."

"You, too, here in Grayling have also passed that critical period, but in a different way, in that your dynamite move for a new future was fostered and made possible through the munificence and public spirit of your foremost citizen, Rasmus Hanson. Mr. Hanson gave to the state of Michigan the magnificent and immense military reserve and thereby gave to Grayling a new prosperity."

"You have always been prosperous in Grayling, but the life of the lumber industry in its present status is limited, nevertheless with the new spirit born of a broader outlook there is no question in my mind but that you will expand far beyond the limits possible in the palmiest lumber days."

"There is another citizen of Grayling whom I hoped might be here on this most auspicious occasion but whom sickness detained—that is Mr. Nels Michelson. However, his well-wishes are with us who are here assembled to celebrate the beginning of a new business era for Grayling."

After an interesting and inspiring

outline of the progress being made by Bay City, Mr. Kelton closed his remarks by saying: "Let Bay City and Grayling live up here today for the advancement of our mutual interests."

Mr. O. E. Sovereign, president of the Bay City Board of Commerce, alluded to Grayling as a miniature Bay City. He said that Grayling was founded on lumber, and that Mr. Hanson and Mr. Michelson, who had made their money here, were staying right here to spend it and to help to continue the prosperity of Grayling.

He paid a high compliment to the enterprise that had made possible the fine new hotel. The new school building came in for a fair share of favorable comment, so richly deserved, and the speaker assured his auditors that Bay City would before long have even a better one. He told of the struggles of their Board of Commerce and how, for the past two years they had made things hum in that town, and strongly urged the co-operation of our two cities in helping to make northeastern Michigan the best territory in Michigan.

Grayling, the subject of the next talk, by Melvin A. Bates, was reminiscent with Grayling history, from the days of the first hotel, general store with postoffice combined and portable saw mill. The streets were paved with saw dust and a new pavement was put down every year. Soon saw dust found a more useful purpose and gravel was used, and the speaker predicted that the time was not far distant when a wood-block or brick pavement would be placed at least upon the main streets.

He told of the first log school house, with its dozen pupils, and how it had been replaced by larger and better buildings until today we occupy a structure that exceeds in size, equipment and conditions the wildest dream of the most fanatical educator of the early day. "Education and religion go hand-in-hand, and we welcome the influence they bring to our people—direct and indirect." He told of the Mercy hospital with its modern medical and surgical equipment and skilled physicians and staff of nurses.

He told of the commercial importance of our city—the immense output of lumber, flooring, dowels and tie plugs; a high class green house; which all tend to make us prosperous, contented and happy. Our fish hatchery and military reservation tend to give us a state-wide reputation, and it is up to us as citizens to maintain that reputation in such a manner as not to cause us to be ashamed.

Speaking of our Board of Trade, he said it is yet in its infancy, but that it is a lively youngster and has demonstrated the necessity for its existence and the possibilities that lie before it. He told of the resources of Crawford county, its agricultural possibilities and of our lakes and streams. "The Grayling Board of Trade must be a factor in the development of this territory." It must not only labor to uphold our city officials in the discharge of their duties, but must seek to improve our laws, to the end that civic improvement and conditions may be of such a nature as to challenge the admiration of all.

W. F. Jennison, second vice-president of the Bay City Board of Commerce, said in his address on Reciprocity, that the subject was a tremendous one. He told of his visit here 40 years ago and of the hospitality that had been accorded him at that time and at many times since and had often wondered what Bay City had ever done in return except "Good goods at the right prices."

When on his first visit as a traveling salesman, many years ago, he met failure in every town along the Michigan Central until he reached Grayling, when R. Hanson gave him an order for a pair of hand saws. He spoke of Grayling being the most beautiful small city along their travels.

When Toastmaster T. Hanson introduced Reuben S. Babbitt, he said that he had been one of the earliest of Shoppennagon's friends, and referred to him as the best game warden in the state of Michigan, or of any

STATE GUARD TO ENCAMP JULY 27th.

MILITARY BOARD ANNOUNCES
DATES OF OUTING.

Plan Contingent on Peace; Ma-
chine Gun Companies May
Drill in South.

Provided they are not "some place in Mexico," or on the way to Europe, or defending one of our sea coasts against invaders, the infantrymen of the Michigan National Guard will encamp at the Hanson military reservation at Grayling, from July 27 to August 5, next.

The official announcement of the military board follows:

"Pending advices from the war department as to the establishment of camps of instruction for the various arms of the services of the Michigan National Guard, the state military board has tentatively advised an encampment at the Hanson state military reservation, July 27 to August 5, next. The infantry will probably be camped there at the time, except its machine gun companies."

The exemption of the machine gun companies is made because several months ago it was understood that the war department intended sending them to Fort Oglethorpe, Ga.

The arrangements for the cavalry and artillery, which are to be made by the war department, are like those for the machine guns, but tentative. It is generally supposed, however, that the artillery, following the usual custom, will go to Sparta, Wis., while the cavalry is thought to be ticketed for Fort Sheridan.

The sanitary train will likely be sent to Sparta, along with the artillery.—Free Press.

other old state, and those who know Mr. Babbitt heartily acquiesced. Mr. Babbitt gave a character sketch of Shoppennagon, characterizing a visit of the old aborigine to the hotel which bears his name. The sketch brought in many of our well known citizens. This was so good that we want our readers to get the whole of it, therefore will publish the article in our next issue.

C. T. Clark, general manager of the Bay City and Grayling plants of E. I. duPont de Nemours & Co., gave a most inspiring talk on "Du Pont."

The toastmaster said that he was known in Bay City as "Porcupine Clark," but that here in Grayling we gave him a more dignified name—"Duke de Alcohol du Pont Clark." Mr. Clark is very much a favorite in both Bay City and Grayling.

He opened his remarks by saying: "There is no country like America. No matter what is going on in other countries, I'm for America." He said that "there is no city like Bay City—it has its faults, but has many virtues. The Bay City business men's team can match any team on earth."

The du Ponts started in the powder business when John Adams was president and were personal friends of Thomas Jefferson. They furnished powder for the government during the second war with England, and the powder used during the naval battle in Lake Erie, made memorable by the immortal words of Commodore Perry when he said, "We have met the enemy and they are ours." The du Ponts are ardent unionists. They supplied the government with powder during the civil and Spanish wars, and in the face of the tremendous demands, reduced the price of their products.

Mr. Clark referred to the fact that the du Ponts had shipped no powder into Mexico—"not one ounce." He told many interesting things about this well known firm. They had long had an eye on Grayling, because of its resources for raw material—wood, and Mr. Clark explained how his firm had finally located here. He said that there was a probability of enlarging the Bay City and Grayling plants and they would spend much money here. That the Grayling plant would eventually triple in size, he firmly believed. Of course, this was good news to the Bay Citians as well as our people, and, as he stated, will be of benefit to the whole northern Michigan. His talk was inspiring, and every person who heard him was justified in swelling up with pride.

Judge W. D. Gordon was not listed on the program, but at this time he responded to the invitation of the toastmaster by a brief talk. The judge talked in a semi-humorous vein and provoked some hearty laughs. He picked a few of the other Day City speakers for not explaining that the upward trend of prosperity had begun with the time that he made his advent there as a resident, and told Mayor Kelton that he was following his example by painting his house red and therefore would soon be mayor. Judge Gordon is a past-master in the art of speech.

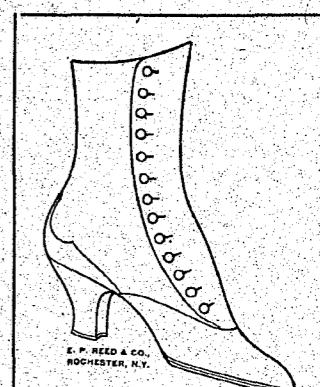
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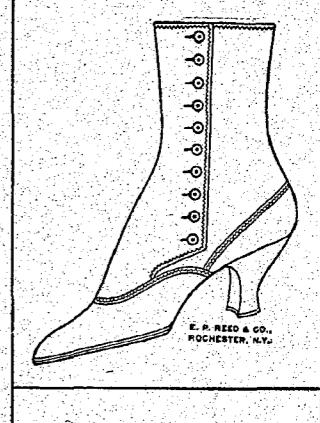
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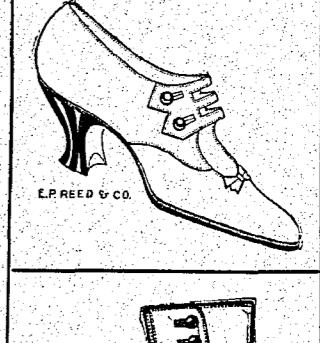


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and could he have been accorded more time on the program, no doubt would have given us some pretty solid things to think about.

And, by the way, we note with pleasure that he has announced himself a candidate for lieutenant governor. He would make a coveted running mate with such as Washington Gardner, Frank B. Leland or any other good candidate.

When it came time for Mr. H. E. Buck's talk on "Reminiscence," it seemed that the category of sayings fit for this most happy occasion had been exhausted, but that polished orator drove in a few more nails that further clinched the friendly relations that so firmly held together the men of affairs of his city and those of our city.

Mr. Buck is first vice-president of the Bay City Board of Commerce. He first told of Shoppennagon and said that he was a man who was a credit to Grayling to name this fine hotel after him. "Shop," as he was commonly called, "was a Christian gentleman." As a fishing guide for Mr. Buck, these two men had become well acquainted.

Speaking of Mr. Clark, he said he was an ardent worker for the du Pont company, Bay City and Grayling. He alluded to Mr. R. Hanson in his career as chore boy and grubber to captain of industry. He painted the Au Sable as a beautiful stream and a priceless gift to the people of Grayling with its wonderful water possibilities.

He referred to the work of their former president, Mr. Galbraith, and the present incumbent, Mr. Sovereign, as a modest and earnest worker, and extended to Grayling for the people of Bay City the right hand of fellowship.

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cheer and said that the new hotel was now officially dedicated and would be opened for business Saturday night and that they now wanted business, and in return would give service. He spoke of his co-partner, Mr. Nels Michelson, who was unable to be present, and also of the late E. E. Salling and the members of the Salling, Hanson company, and declared that they should equally share the honors of the occasion.

The people of Grayling are in harmony in promoting the interests of Grayling. The strength of any town lies in the men ready to work for the community.

"Commercial Associations stand for the co-operative promotion of their mutual interests and protect themselves against ruinous competition in dealing with the public, and they represent the localities in the distribution and exchange of commodities produced by labor.

"It is said that competition is the life of trade. This in a measure is true to only a reasonable extent. If it is carried to a point where the active competition is brought down to a point where the commodity is selling below the cost of production, only one thing can be the result, and that is ruin of the commodities of labor which are being sold below cost, and this always reverts back to the source from whence it came, which is labor. Of course, co-operation should not be carried to the extent of centralization, or in other words, to the point where we lose our individual personality and become a commercial wheel within a wheel directed by an uncrowned head. This will work out disaster to the common army behind which is labor.

"You and I as captains of industry are only the agents of labor, and as such must do justice to the interests which we represent, and protect the locality where we live. Our duties as captains of associations should be to cultivate friendship be-

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A. M. Lewis.

WAYNE COUNTY WILL BE THE GOAT

RAISE OF VALUES WILL MAKE
THE COUNTY PAY HALF THE
STATE TAXES.

ABNORMAL CONDITIONS CAUSE

Will the Equalization Board Give the Case Fair Consideration? Detractors Are Alarmed.

Detroit—The valuation of Wayne county, now being ascertained by the state board of assessors, based on highly inflated value due to frenzied real estate speculation and huge production increases, attributed directly and indirectly to war orders, will force Detroit and Wayne county to pay half the taxes of the state, unless the board of equalization can be convinced that the final Wayne county valuation is inflated and does not represent normal increase.

The question, which is beginning to alarm business men, industrial heads and small property owners is that the valuation eventually determined by the equalization board must stand for three years and if the war should suddenly cease, putting an end to the volume of business tractable to war orders or the boom in real estate should slump, the burden would fall on the small taxpayer.

Two years ago Wayne county was assessed at \$928,728,000, equalized to \$707,000,000 in round numbers, and the state was assessed at \$3,324,000, equalized to \$2,968,000,000, so that Detroit was paying approximately 25 per cent of the state's taxes.

The present situation is peculiar in that nearly all the rest of the state has already been valued by the state board, during normal conditions, and although all counties reported on show a normal and fair increase, it is feared the boost given Wayne county will be far greater proportionately, on account of the unprecedented prosperity of the city, a great deal of which is due to abnormal increased value of industrial products shown on books of many of the city's largest industries.

Students of conditions declare that an accurate, normal increase for Wayne county should be approximately \$200,000,000, or a total valuation of about \$90,000,000. The board of commerce has been working on the taxation problem for weeks. They have tabulated startling statistics revealing enormous individual increases of products caused by the war demand. One factory alone, the committee conducting the work declares making war munitions, will be given a value five times its value two years ago. It is shown that scores of companies are affected by the war directly or indirectly. Companies manufacturing metals and alloys, for example, have contracted orders for six and eight months delivery, the cost of the materials for which will exceed the price of the finished product today.

The indirect effect of the war on Detroit and Wayne county industries is seen principally in the enormous increase in cost of raw materials and consequent boost in price to the consumer. Building materials have jumped 20 per cent in the past six months. Structural steel has to be ordered months in advance for delivery at greatly increased prices.

All metals have gone to record heights and most of the raw materials used in Detroit manufacture have followed suit.

LANSING BATTERY PASSES

The Examination Was the Same As That Given to Regular Army.

Lansing—The notification from war department that Battery A, First Field artillery of this city, had qualified under the new rules and regulations of the department and had been placed upon the list of batteries in the militia service, which are to be taken on the same basis as the regular field batteries, is considered a distinct victory for the Michigan National Guard.

The rules were that each officer must qualify and that in addition 17 of the men must pass the inspector's examination. The Lansing battery not only had all of its officers qualify, one of them as an "expert," but had 24 of its men pass the examinations. All will be given certificates from the war department, while they will also be eligible to national competition which the government expects to stage among those who qualified.

The examination was the same as that given in the regular army, although not nearly so long a time was given the militia for preparation.

MICHIGAN NEWS ITEMS

The United States senate has confirmed the appointment of Samuel Folz as postmaster of Kalamazoo.

Michael Parks was killed in an explosion in the chemical plant of the Saginaw Plate Glass Co. Two other employees were slightly burned in an attempt to rescue Parks. The cause of the explosion is unknown.

Striking a heavy cake of ice from the steamer Prentiss, owned by the McLoth Co., of Marine City, filled rapidly and sank just off Russell Island, north of Algonac. The vessel was in 14 feet of water, with her decks showing.

A week's series of tuberculosis clinics under direction of Dr. W. H. De Kleine, in charge of the state board of health tuberculosis survey of Michigan, closed at Muskegon. It is expected, more than 400 persons in this county will have undergone free examinations for tuberculosis.

MICHIGAN NEWS BRIEFS

The scarlet fever epidemic has forced the East Lansing schools to close. Professors D. B. Yntema and F. G. Walde, of Hope college, have resigned.

Since the 1st of January about 40 cars of horses have been shipped from Bad Axe to the European war.

The University of Michigan faculty senate has set June 29 for the memorial service for the late James B. Angell.

The appointment of Everett S. Syckman as postmaster at South Haven has been confirmed by the United States senate.

W. Foreman, 71, pioneer resident of Rutland, in which he lived 70 years, is dead, of tropical fever, contracted last winter in Florida.

Bernard Smith and Harry Randall of Detroit paid fines of \$8.70 each for driving motor cars through Ypsilanti without 1916 licenses.

James Riley, foreman at Marshall Furnace Co., is father of three different sets of triplets who reside with his wife at Hamilton, Ont.

An industrial club was organized at Coldwater, when 1,000 citizens raised \$20,265 in one hour to interest factories in locating here.

Officers and members of Flint's newly organized Women's council have offered their services to aid in carrying on a clean-up week.

Both copper and coal production broke records in Michigan in 1915, according to reports published by the United States geological survey.

Thirteen-year-old Peter Vanreman of Kalamazoo is worth \$200. The boy found a roll of bills in the street, and so far no one has claimed the money.

Mrs. Marie Camillo was "grandma" to everybody in Manistee and her death was an occasion of deep lament to the entire city. She was 91 years old.

Ed. S. Long, a deputy game warden of Alanson, Cheboygan county, is in a serious condition as a result of a spectacular fight in a boat with an unknown Indian.

Jude Smith, a farmer near North Oxford, was seriously injured when the tongue of a landlubber broke, allowing the roller, loaded with stones, to topple over.

Richard Mason of Applegate was critically injured when his team turned a corner suddenly, throwing him from his standing position under the wheels of his wagon.

Following the denial of the motion for a new trial by Judge Law, Albert Cusino, convicted of perjury, was sentenced to from five to 15 years at Joliet with a recommendation of six years.

Because of the large numbers of aliens who have applied for citizenship papers in Detroit during the last few months, the naturalization bureau has opened a permanent office there.

The 31st Michigan Volunteer Infantry will hold its annual reunion in Ypsilanti May 17. Local members of the regiment whose major was Gen. John P. Kirk, are making plans for elaborate entertainment.

The report of 20 cases of smallpox in York township, Washtenaw county, caused a flurry in the office of the state board of health and inspectors were immediately sent to see what had caused the epidemic.

Henry McMorran, former congressman, who owns a ferry line between this city and Sarnia, holds a certificate from the federal government as an "able-bodied lifeboat man." McMorran was aboard his boat when the inspectors held a drill to test the crew.

The total number of licenses granted in Detroit last year was 1,377. Eleven saloons were located in the territory annexed last November, bringing the total number of bars in the city up to 1,388. The elimination of 73 brings this year's total down to 1,315.

Willard Huss, son of M. J. Huss, Three Rivers, has received notice of his appointment to West Point. He graduated here in 1914 and has been in the state university since. He will go to West Point June 15. His appointment came through Congressman Hamilton.

According to the monthly report issued by State Treasurer Haarer, there was a balance of \$7,337,171.76 in the treasury when the vaults were opened May 1. The general fund, available for immediate use, contained \$3,656,834.24, while the primary school interest fund contained \$3,595,832.63. During April the treasury receipts amounted to \$8,161,503.21, while the disbursements totaled \$830,791.81.

Millionaire E. K. Warren, of Three Oaks, has made arrangements with the government to get his herd of 5,000 cattle out of Mexico. His ranch has been raided many times by bandits and his losses from theft have been exceedingly heavy. He has just been successful in getting permission from the government to take down a fence along the border in order to let his stock cross the line.

An Albion rifle club is being formed among the younger men of Albion. The organization will be affiliated with the National Rifle Association and a local range will be established.

The proposed \$80,000 new high school can be built in Hastings as a result of the decision of the supreme court. Citizens objected to the erection of the building on the park site and began litigation which has lasted ten months. Increasing price of materials during that time makes the cost of erection \$15,000 greater.

After receiving a sound thrashing at the hands of his captors, Rex Spaulding of Flint admitted in court that he was a "Peeping Tom" and was sentenced to serve 30 days in the county jail.

Michigan coal mining operators held a conference in Saginaw to consider the demands submitted last week at joint meeting to take up the scale agreement. The joint scale committee, representing miners and operators will meet in Bay City later and push scale making to a conclusion.

LETTER FROM STATE CAPITOL

WHO FIRST ASSORTED LUMBER? MR. MCGILLIVRAY TELLS A FORESTRY CLASS OF IT.

LARGE SUM FROM AUTO TAXES

All the Latest Political Dope, Facts and Fancies Gathered From State House Politicians.

[By Gurd M. Hayes.]

Lansing—Reciting the history of lumber grading to the Michigan Agricultural College forestry class, J. H. McGillivray of the game, fish and forest fire department said: "It is hard to tell what Noah sorted his lumber for constructing the ark, that Solomon segregated his Lebanon cedar for the building of the temple, and that both knew that ten-dollar culls would make as good a corn crib as sixty-dollar selects. The first distinctions in grading from a trade consideration of which we have definite knowledge, however, came to us from Stockholm, Sweden, about 1770."

"Evolution in Maine and lower Canada brought the grades to the Saginaw valley about 1880 as good, fine-common, common, shipping-culls and culms."

"Present standard divisions are: Clear; First, second and third; finishing: A-select, B-select, C-select, D-select; factory: A-select, B-select, C-select, No. 1 shop, No. 2 shop, No. 3 shop and 'Inch' shop; common: D-stock, No. 1, No. 2 and No. 3; culms: No. 4, No. 5, No. 6, of down grades of common."

"These are the wholesale terms on the Great Lakes docks. They are the fundamental base of all lumber grading on both hard and soft woods. When the Lansing, Detroit, Buffalo or Chicago dealer buys from the northern mill yards or docks he recognizes only these grades. But almost every city and district have local deviations from these grades. What would only pass as No. 2 common in Lansing might pass as No. 1 common in some place more remote from the initial market."

"Siding, ceiling, flooring, shipplank are not grades as the layman is led to believe. They are simply forms of milling which may be of any quality of sound lumber."

"Thirty years ago in Michigan lumber went in to the mill burners as waste that is now bringing \$20 per thousand feet in the eastern market. There is opportunity for conservation of lumber in its proper utilization."

"When grades are mixed in exterior work, such as siding, the presence of the better grades serve only to accentuate the defects in the poorer boards. Thus the whole wall would be a greater disadvantage than if it were all low grade."

"Builders and users of lumber, even the federal government, have talked much of a lumber trust. There is no such thing in a continental way. Local combinations are possible of course and doubtless some exist."

Raises a Large Sum.

If the supreme court upholds the constitutionality of the new automobile tax law, Secretary of State Vaughan will cut a melon in the form of a tax dividend of \$425,000 which will be divided among the counties and the state according to the number of machines credited to them on the state's books.

Already Secretary of State Vaughan has collected under the terms of the new automobile tax law approximately \$850,000. If the law is declared valid by the supreme court, half of this money will be placed to the credit of the state highway department for the construction of trunkline highways.

The remaining fifty per cent will be divided among the counties and the money can only be used for the construction and maintenance of highways.

When an automobile owner pays his license fee to the secretary of state, fifty per cent of the amount of the fee is credited to the county in which the machine is owned and the rest is credited to the state highway department.

Since the first of the year the state department has issued approximately 76,000 licenses and has collected nearly \$850,000. Before the constitutionality of the law was attacked in Wayne county, it was planned to make the first distribution to the counties April 1, but when the matter got into the courts, Auditor General Fuller and Secretary of State Vaughan decided to withhold payments to the counties until the constitutionality of the law had been affirmed.

When the law was attacked in the Wayne circuit, the judges rendered an opinion to the effect that it was valid. An appeal was taken to the supreme court where the case was argued several weeks ago. State officials are hoping that the court will give the case early consideration.

Primary Vote Results.

Henry Ford's majority over United States Senator William Alden Smith in the republican presidential primary held in Michigan April 3 was 5,185, according to the official figures given out by the board of state canvassers. The three candidates whose names appeared on the republican ballot polled 175,294 votes, of which Henry Ford received 83,057, William Alden Smith

President Kedzie Honored.

President Frank S. Kedzie, of the Michigan Agricultural college, was the guest of honor at a banquet attended by 150 local business men at the Dowdy Home Saturday night. The head of the state institution is the first local man to hold the position.

In addition to the tributes paid the new president, the local men lauded the generosity of R. E. Olds in giving the state college \$100,000 to replace

77,872 and William Gerald Simpson 14,365.

Theodore Roosevelt's name was not printed on any of the primary ballots, but 1074 electors voted for him by writing his name on the republican ticket. Charles Evans Hughes of New York received 303 republican votes and former governor Chase S. Osborn was favored by 139. Charley Chaplin received one vote on the republican presidential ballot.

Although Woodrow Wilson's name was the only one printed on the democratic ticket, 124 admirers of William Jennings Bryan took the trouble to write his name on the ballot. President Wilson received a total of 84,972 votes, while Champ Clark polled 53, Henry Ford 55, Governor Ferris 3 and Gen. Carranza 1.

The national progressive party was without a candidate for president but Theodore Roosevelt qualified when 383 bull moose voters wrote the colonel's name on their ticket. Some of the bull moose voters evidently confused the candidacy of Gustavus D. Pope of Detroit, who was a candidate for national committeeman of the national progressive party, and Pope received 44 votes for president on the bull moose ticket. William F. Ferguson, prohibition candidate for president, was unopposed, received 2728 votes.

Charles B. Warren of Detroit, who was unopposed for renomination as republican national committeeman, received 160,037 votes. Democratic National Committeeman E. O. Wood of Flint was renominated over William A. Comstock of Alpena by a majority of 13,901. Wood polled 48,707 votes and Comstock received 34,806. Gustavus D. Pope was renominated as the national progressive national committeeman without opposition. Pope polled 1918 votes.

Some Political Dope.

Democratic leaders in the state house are not at all elated over the result of the primary vote for democratic national committeeman as shown by the board of state canvassers.

The majority of National Committeeman E. O. Wood of Flint, was only 13,901 over William A. Comstock of Alpena, out of a total democratic vote of 83,513, and administration leaders are of the opinion that the big vote for Comstock indicates trouble at the democratic state convention in Lansing May 17. Backed by Governor Ferris and every member of his official family and supported by hundreds of postmasters throughout the state, National Committeeman Wood was expected to beat Comstock at least two to one. Governor Ferris passed out the word that the defeat of Comstock should not only be an annihilation but a complete rout for the so-called original Wilsonites.

Practically every democrat on the state payroll was busy in his precinct for Wood on election day, but notwithstanding the work of the administration forces Comstock polled 34,806 votes to 48,707 for Wood. Nearly twenty counties were carried by the candidate of the original Wilsonites and the administration forces have received word that these counties are planning to send delegations to the democratic state convention that will be antagonistic to the Wood-Shields faction.

PERSONAL POLITICAL.

Governor Ferris does not want to be a candidate for a third term and he is planning to take up his work along educational lines at the end of the present year. However, this does not mean that Governor Ferris will not lead the democratic party of Michigan in the campaign next fall, as the chief executive, according to democratic leaders and close personal friends, can be persuaded to carry the standard again, if he is convinced that his name at the head of the ticket will keep the party organization intact and result in a greater number of votes for President Wilson.

At the present time, however, the governor is planning to retire from political life at the end of his present term. While he is making these plans, democratic leaders are actively engaged in urging him to make the race again. They think Ferris is politically stronger than any other man in his party.

Probable Keynoter.

Congressman Frank Doremus of Detroit will be temporary chairman of the democratic state convention to be held in Lansing, May 17. The announcement that Doremus had been selected as presiding officer of the convention was made by E. C. Shields, chairman of the democratic state central committee. Congressmen Doremus was recently re-elected chairman of the democratic national congressional campaign committee, and in his address as temporary chairman of the state convention it is believed that he will summarize the plans for the national campaign in the congressional districts this fall.

Governor Paroles Lifers.

Judson Black of Richmond has been reappointed by Governor Ferris as a member of the state veterinary board.

Governor Ferris has issued a parole to Millard Johnson, sentenced to Jackson prison for life June 12, 1912, for assault and robbery. Johnson, with a companion, attempted to rob a party of automobileists near Grand Rapids, and within 48 hours after the crime was committed he had been sentenced to Jackson. He is now 23 years of age.

L. A. Weeks, sentenced from Flint September 14, 1911, to serve a life term at Jackson for murder, was also paroled by Governor Ferris.

The burned engineering equipment

Robert Graham, of the state board of education, expressed the appreciation of the governing powers of the institution.

SEEKING A RULING ON IMPORTANT LAW

SUBJECT IS A WOMAN INMATE OF THE LAPEER HOME AND TRAINING SCHOOL.

STERILIZATION LAW TESTED

Is the Law of 1913 Valid? Can Operations be Performed to Stop Reproduction of Idiots? That's the Question.

Lansing—The right of the state of Michigan to operate at will, in the interest of science, upon inmates of state hospitals and asylums, a right such as was exercised by Dr. Udo J. Wile, of the University of Michigan, upon several inmates of the Pontiac asylum, is up for judicial determination.

A test case, arranged by the attorney-general and the board of control of the Michigan Home and Training school at Lapeer, has been started, and it is now up to the judge of probate in Lapeer county, Daniel F. Zuhike. If he decides for the state the prosecuting attorney, who in the test case is attorney of record for the inmate upon whom it had been decided to operate, will appeal to the supreme court. If, however, the state is the loser, which is much the more likely, Attorney-General Fellows will take the case up.

Nora Reynolds, an inmate of the Lapeer home, was selected as the victim of an operation under the vasectomy and scalpingectomy act of 1913 legislature. The act provides that where physicians say the patient is hopeless, the operation may be performed, unless somebody objects and it is proved that the case is not a hopeless one. The state had John Roach of Lapeer, made guardian for the Reynolds woman, and when the board of control decided to go ahead with the operation, he, as her guardian, objected.

The objections strike at the root of the law, stating, first, that the law inflicts cruel and unusual punishment; and, secondly, that it is in direct contravention of the "due process of law" section of the constitutions of Michigan and the United States. This latter contention will make possible an appeal to the United States supreme court in case such procedure should be deemed advisable.

The case of the Reynolds girl was really started a year ago, when the board of control went through the formality of ordering the operation. The attorney-general's department wanted the matter to go up to the courts with both sides fortified. Consequently it had the guardian appointed and the prosecuting attorney arranged to take his side of the case.

One application for permission to perform the operation was refused by Judge of Probate Zuhike some time ago, when he declared the law unconstitutional, but no appeal was taken by the state and a new application was filed as the state wanted the case clear-cut.

FARMERS IN DIRE WANT

Benzie and Other Counties Need Help or Farms Will Not Be Seeded.

Washington—Unless they are given some sort of outside relief, farmers in Benzine and neighboring Michigan counties will be unable to plant crops this spring, Congressman J. C. McLaughlin declares, and he has appealed to Governor Ferris to call a special session of the legislature if necessary for their relief.

Franklin Whipple, of Honor, R. B. Reynolds, of Benton, Benzine county, and others have written Mr. McLaughlin, urging that some relief be supplied.

"Farmers are not only hard up, but many of them have been forced to appeal for county aid," Mr. Whipple writes. "Many farmers left the country last fall. Most of those who are left cannot plant a new crop unless some one supplies the seed. Merchants and small banks have done what they could, but they can do no more. To let 10,000 acres of productive land go to waste would be a terrible blow."

Lansing—The fact it is in all its implications, that Benzine county farmers, in any number, are so hard up, that they must appeal to their county and state for help to keep them from want, is news here.

It is a fact familiar to state officials that the 1915 season was a difficult one for all north Michigan farmers. It was supposed, however, that they were recovering from the hard blow which weather conditions dealt them. The potato shortage has been the worst difficulty this season, so far as known; and the agricultural college at East Lansing has taken up that subject.

STATE NEWS IN BRIEF

New York—War risk insurance both in this city and in London stiffened as the result of a report in financial circles that another German commerce raider had slipped through the British patrol. The raider was reported to have escaped during the recent bombardment of British east coast towns by a German battle cruiser squadron.

The 1915-16 University of Michigan catalogue, just issued, gives the official enrollment of the university for this academic year as 6,284, and of the summer session of 1915 as 1,678, a grand total of 7,214. This is 357 above the total registration of last year.

Benjamin Brough, former Detroit, was sentenced to pay fine and costs amounting to \$100 when he pleaded guilty in circuit court at Flint to violation of the local option law. Brough is alleged to have conducted a big blind pig for months in the downtown section.

TROOPS REMAIN IN MEXICO

Any Agreement Made Must Not Mean the Withdrawal of U. S. Troops.

El Paso, Tex.—Information from Washington that Secretary Baker had instructed General Scott and General Funston to make it plain to General Obregon that any agreement reached at their conference here must not be based on any plan for immediate withdrawal of American troops from Mexico, was received with gravity in Juarez. General Obregon refused to comment, saying he would await developments at his next conference.

Among other Mexican officials gloom was openly expressed. It was pointed out that General Obregon had come to the border confident that he could persuade Generals Scott and Funston that the American expeditionary forces should be withdrawn at once. Secretary Baker's instructions to the American conferees were regarded as completely blocking the hopes of the Mexican minister of war.

Speculation in El Paso deals with the reply that General Obregon will make to the proposals Generals Scott and Funston will present at the next conference.

In some quarters it was declared that the only course he could take would be to accept the plan of the United States government to co-operate in the complete dispersal of the Villista bands still operating in southern and western Chihuahua and Durango.

THIRTEEN COUNTIES COVERED

State Tuberculosis Survey Examined 5,500 Persons 2,450 Afflicted.

Lansing—It costs the state less than \$5 for each examination in the tuberculosis survey that is being conducted by the state board of health. If the present rate of progress is kept up to the end of the campaign, easily more than 20,000 persons will have been examined when the survey closes. And the actual making of examinations is but a small part of the work.

The low cost of the work now being done in the interest of public health in Michigan is the more striking when compared with the annual loss sustained by the people of the state as a result of tuberculosis. The state board of health has prepared a map of Michigan on which is indicated county by county the economic loss through tuberculosis annually, taking the year 1913 as an example. The loss as given on this map totals the enormous sum of \$12,558,740. This is what tuberculosis cost the people of the state in a single year through loss of life, loss of wages, doctors' bills and the like.

In the 13 counties so far covered by the state tuberculosis survey at a cost of a little more than \$25,000, the economic loss from the disease in a single year was \$2,149,910, or 126 times as much as is being expended by the state to combat it.

The figures as compiled by the state board of health show that the people of Michigan are, each year, paying an enormously high tuberculosis tax. The total loss is approximately \$4 a year for every man, woman and child. The present survey is costing each person only a little more than a cent and a half a year.

When the free examinations for tuberculosis conducted by the state board of health came to a close in Muskegon county, it was estimated by the "Health First" workers that nearly 5,500 have so far been examined in 13 counties for this disease. Of this number nearly 2,450 have been diagnosed as being afflicted with the disease.

ITEMS OF INTEREST

Cadillac is to have a new Methodist church which will seat 2,000 persons and will cost about \$50,000.

The forty-eighth annual convention of the Michigan Alteiner Arbeiter Bund will be held at Jackson, June 13-15.

Paul Langdon, a Hubbardston farmer, 23 years old, was severely scalded when a traction engine he was driving tipped over. His condition is critical.

Wellington R. Burt, one of Michigan's wealthiest citizens, and Saginaw's philanthropist, protested to the board of review against the valuation of \$1,000,000 placed on his personal property. The assessment last year was reduced to \$800,000. No action was taken.

Amsterdam, via London—A high treason trial in which 18 persons were sentenced to death has just ended at Sarajevo, Bosnia, according to the Frankfurter Zeitung. Among those condemned to death were Vasili Grigi, a priest, and Matija Popovic, a former deputy, and Matija Popovic, a priest. Sixty-eight persons were sentenced to prison from five to 20 years. Fifty-five others were acquitted.

Berne—The Swiss troops on all their frontiers have been instructed to permit no deserters to pass in the future, no matter from which country they come. This step was taken to avoid diplomatic complications.

Winnipeg, Man.—Two great Canadian grain elevators were destroyed by mysterious fires. The Lake of Woods Milling company, at Medicine Hat, burned with a loss of \$500,000, and the 400,000-bushel elevator of the Rice Malting company, at St. Boniface, Man., was destroyed with its contents.

Washington—In the eight months ending with February, this year, the value of the exports from the United States to England, France, Russia and Italy was \$1,595,750,294. In the same period the value of the exports to Germany and Austria-Hungary was \$495,851. The difference was \$1,595,714,443.

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MARKET QUOTATIONS

Livestock

DETROIT—Cattle: Receipts, 2,463. Best hand steers, \$8.75@8.80; best hand weight butcher steers, \$8@8.50; mixed steers and heifers, \$7.75@8.25; hand light butchers, \$7.25@7.75; light butchers, \$6.75@7.25; best cows, \$6.50@6.75; butcher cows, \$5.50@6.25; common cows, \$4.50@5.25; cappers, \$3@4.25; best heavy bulls, \$6.50@7.25; bologna bulls, \$6@6.25; stock bulls, \$5@5.50; feeders, \$7.25@7.75; stockers, \$8@7.50; milkers and springers, \$4@4.75.

Calves—Receipts, 1,542. Best, \$9.50@9.75, with an occasional extra fancy one at \$10; common and heavy, \$6@9.25.

Sheep and Lamb—Receipts, 2,345. Best lambs, \$9@9.25; fair lambs, \$7@8; light to common lambs, \$6.75@7.25; yearlings, \$8@8.25; fair to good sheep, \$6.50@7; culs and common, \$4.25@5.

Hogs—Receipts, 12,068. Extra heavy grades, \$9.70, but bulk of sales was at \$8.60 for good, and mixed lights at \$9.50; pigs brought \$8.75.

EAST BUFFALO—Cattle—Receipts, 170 cars; market, 15@23c lower; choice to prime steers, \$9.50@9.75; good to choice, \$9@9.25; fair to good, \$8.75@9; plain and coarse, \$8.25@8.50; Canadian steers, 1,300 to 1,400 pounds, \$8.75@9; yearlings, dry-fed, \$9@9.25; best hand steers, \$8.50@8.75; light butcher steers, \$8@8.25; good butcher steers and heifers, \$8@8.25; steers and heifers, fair to good, \$7.25@7.75; prime fat heifers, \$8.25@8.50; western light common heifers, \$6.50@7.25; best heavy fat cows, \$7.25@7.75; butcher cows, \$6.25@6.75; cutters, \$4.50@5; culms, \$3.50@4; fancy bulls, \$8.75@9.25; sausages, bulls, \$6@7; light bulls, \$5.50@6; good stockers, \$7@7.50; light common stockers, \$6@6.50; feeders, \$7.50@7.25; milkers and springers, \$6@6.50.

Hogs—Receipts, 90 cars; steady; \$10.25@10.30; yorkers, \$10.10@10.20; pigs, \$8.75@9.

Sheep and Lambs—Receipts, 50 cars; steady; top lambs \$10@10.25; yearlings, \$8@8.25; wethers, \$7.75@8; ewes, \$7@7.25.

Calves—Receipts, 1,500; slow; tops, \$9.50@9.75; fair to good, \$8.50@9; fed calves, \$4.50@6.

Grain, Etc.

DETROIT—Wheat: Cash No 2 red, \$1.21; May opened without change at \$1.20, lost 1c, advanced to \$1.20 1c and declined to \$1.20; July opened at \$1.20 1c, declined to \$1.20, advanced to \$1.21 and declined to \$1.20 1c; No 1 white, \$1.16; No 4 red, \$1.14.

Corn—Cash No 3, 76 1/2c; No 3 yellow, 79c; No 4 yellow, 78 1/2c@75c.

Oats—Standard, 46 1/2c; No 3 white, 45 1/4c; No 4 white, 43@44c.

Rye—Cash No 2, 95c.

Beans—Immediate and prompt shipment, \$3.70; May, \$3.75.

Seeds—Prime red clover and alsike, \$9; prime timothy, \$3.25.

Hay—No 1 timothy, \$20.50@21; standard timothy, \$19.50@20; light mixed, \$19.50@20; No 2 timothy, \$17@18; No 1 mixed, \$15.50@16.50; No 2 mixed, \$11@13; No 1 clover, \$12@13; rye straw, \$7.50@8; wheat and oat straw, \$6.50@7 per ton in carlots.

Flour—In one-eighth paper sacks, per 196 lbs jobbing lots: First patent, \$6.50; second patent, \$6.20; straight, \$5.90; spring patent, \$6.80; rye flour, \$6 per bbl.

Feed—in 100-lb sacks, jobbing lots: Bran, \$24; standard middlings, \$22; fine middlings, \$20; coarse cornmeal, \$20; cracked corn, \$11.50; corn and oat chaff \$28 per ton.

NORWAY.

The pure language reform movement is playing havoc with old party lines. This was exemplified most strikingly the other day when the strolling voted on the proposition to establish a chair of pure Norwegian for the theological students at the university. The Socialists have been in the habit of endorsing the language reform.

But on this occasion they voted solidly against the necessary appropriation on the ground that the language reformers are tinctured with reactionary ideas. In other words, the Socialists voted with the Conservatives. But the two parties together mustered only 44 votes, and the appropriation was made by 64 members voting in favor of it. It is supposed that the Socialists and the Conservatives will stick together on the language question.

Bishop Hognestad has been permitted to reside at Voss, the hotbed of the language reform movement.

An outsider cannot realize the importance of this permission. Bergen has always been regarded as the logical residence of the bishop of the diocese of Bergen.

The shifting means two things in particular: The government wants to endorse the pure language movement, and it also wants to emphasize the importance of the farmers of the country as a class. Bergen is the second largest city in the country, having a population of about 90,000, and many of its inhabitants are apt to feel sore.

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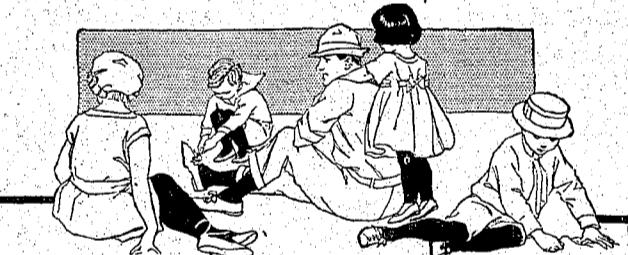
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GRAYLING, THURSDAY, MAY 4

Eldorado Nuggets.

Mr. and Mrs. Ira Robinson, and Mrs. Robinson's brother, George Hickey, were calling on old friends, Saturday and Sunday.

James Williams, highway commissioner, has completed repairs on the Chase bridge, and now pronounces it fit for crossing, by the public.

Every one seems to have had a very nice time at the party given Saturday evening by Mr. and Mrs. Hoagland, who recently purchased the Cochran farm.

Robert Jackson, a boy well known here, recently enlisted in the United States Army at Columbus, Ohio, for service in Mexico.

John M. Smith of Coy spent a few days this week repairing fences and looking after his orchard on his farm at this place.

Elmer Head and family drove up in their new Ford and spent Sunday with his sister, Mrs. James Williams. They were accompanied by Harry Williams and Miss Lizzie Kranz.

Fred Brooks spent the latter part of last week in Mio, writing on teachers' examination.

Mr. and Mrs. William Deeter of Luerne spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. George Hartman. In the afternoon they all called at Wellman Knights.

Charles Cook, who was called to Alger, Tuesday by the death of his brother, George M. Cook, returned Wednesday evening.

The saw mill at the Wehnes job is now in active operation. At least, the whistle is.

Mrs. William Elliott is recovering from injuries sustained in her fall, but Mr. Elliott's hand does not seem to improve very fast.

Mrs. Waldo B. Kellogg visited Mrs. Wellman Knight Friday and Saturday.

Mrs. Elmer Head returned from West Branch Saturday night, where she has been for medical attendance.

Mrs. Sidney Hodges came from Flint Saturday for a short visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Royce.

Miss Lucile Knight, teacher of the Scott school, is now boarding with Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Scott instead of at home.

Every one is expecting a fine time at the box social at the Head school house next Saturday evening.

James F. Crane has a pure blood O. I. C. brood sow, which gave birth to fifteen pigs, twelve living and growing fine.

Mr. Joseph Scott's family are now occupying their new house.

Review.

M. McLeod of Grayling was a visitor here this week.

Mrs. E. A. Turnbull of Detroit was at Bushwood Lodge a few days this week.

Miss Vivian Bromwell returned from Manistee, Saturday.

Mr. Gillett and Mr. Nay was in town on business from Monday until Friday.

The painters from Manistee were in town repairing the hotel this week.

Mrs. W. E. Bromwell was called to West Branch Saturday by the illness of her father.

Those on the sick list are: Edna Loper, Margaret Earl and Iva Richardson, and Jay Gibbons.

Mrs. H. Wolcott was called to Grayling Monday by the illness of her brother, who is at Mercy hospital.

We see a number of fishermen have arrived. "Good Luck" for them.

Miss Rittan of O'Neill, and Miss Mills of Sigma called on Miss Loper Saturday.

S. G. Hollowell of Detroit was a visitor at the Bromwell home this week.

Harry Grover, who has been ill, was taken to Mercy hospital last Monday.

Grant and Wayne Thompson of Grayling were Sunday visitors in Riverview.

Mr. and Mrs. Newman returned from Grand Rapids, where they have been visiting.

Bun Doyle and Jim Stephenson were united in holy matrimony, Saturday, April 29th, 1916. They will be at home to their friends after May 1st, at Hungry Run. Congratulations.

A Symbol of Health.

The Pythagoreans of Ancient Greece ate simple food, practised temperance and purity. As a badge they used the five pointed star which they regarded as a symbol of health. A red five pointed star appears on each package of Chamberlain's Tablets, and still fulfills its ancient mission as a symbol of health. If you are troubled with indigestion, biliousness or constipation, get a package of these tablets from your druggist. You will be surprised at the quick relief which they afford. Obtainable everywhere.

PROBATE NOTICE.
STATE OF MICHIGAN,
The Probate Court for the
County of Crawford.

At a session of said court, held at the probate office in the village of Grayling, in said county, on the 1st day of May A. D. 1916.

Present: Hon. Wellington Batterson, Judge of Probate.

In the matter of the estate of Henry Seiwel, deceased.

Emma Seiwel, widow of said deceased, having filed in said court her petition, praying that said court adjudge and determine who were at the time of his death the legal heirs of said deceased and entitled to inherit the real estate of which said deceased died seized.

It is ordered, that the 29th day of May A. D. 1916, at ten o'clock a. m. at said probate office, hereby appointed for hearing said petition.

It is further ordered, that public notice thereof be given by publication of a copy hereof for three successive weeks previous to said day of hearing, in the CRAWFORD AVALANCHE, a newspaper printed and circulated in said county.

WELLINGTON BATTISON,
[A true copy.] Judge of Probate.

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Judge of Probate,

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Lovells:

The North Branch Outing club opened with a number of 24 guests registered. Altho the weather was very disagreeable a catch of 385 trout was made.

A good number of guests are registered at the Underhill club and report excellent fishing.

C. P. Underhill has purchased a six cylinder Apperson. H. Jones will drive for him for a while.

Work on the Nash cottage is progressing rapidly. A number of carpenters have arrived from Traverse City and Flint.

Robert Pappenus received a telegram announcing the death of his mother in Ohio, April 26th. Mr. Pappenus left the next day to attend the funeral. He returned to Lovells Tuesday accompanied by his sister, Mrs. George Hanna, who was with her mother a few weeks before she died.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Michelson of Mason are enjoying the trout fishing and are the guests of the North Branch Outing club.

Pearl Swain is visiting her brother Archie Swain and family for a few days. She will return to Flint this week.

John Largent, Jr., is the new assistant in T. E. Douglas' store.

Mrs. Ross and Miss Margaret Foley will assist at the North Branch Outing club, during the fishing season.

Mrs. T. W. Hanson, Mrs. O. Michelson and Mrs. J. T. Lamb of Grayling were guests of Mrs. Douglas, Tuesday.

Russell Caid spent a few days with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Caid of Lovells.

Mrs. E. Douglas went to Grayling Tuesday, where she will try the Finnish baths for her rheumatism.

P. F. H. Morley has opened his Lodge for the coming season.

C. W. Keubl of Saginaw opened his cabin with a party of six.

Chas. Eschman of Detroit arrived here Tuesday, to open their cottage. His wife and daughter will drive thru about three weeks.

Mike McCormick, Thomas F. Morris and George F. Owens were Grayling callers this week.

Mrs. Albert Schramm of Flint is visiting her sister and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Lyntz of Lovells.

W. B. Mershon opened up his cabin for the season, April 30th.

A special train boat in eight guests for W. B. Mershon's cabin.

Frederick School Notes.

H. S. base ball team defeated the Grayling boys, but were defeated by Gaylord in the games played Friday and Saturday. However it is thought that Grayling had the stronger team.

The boys think the fish must have a stand-in with the weather man.

Ruth Edmonds and Flora Malco taught in school Thursday and Friday.

C. S. Barber, secretary of the school board, was in Grayling last week.

The front part of the grand stand is being put up this week by the boys.

It is expected that a new heating plant will be put in the school building for next winter.

It has cost only \$2.00 for all the ink used in the entire school this year. Other years the cost has been over twice as much each month. The saving was caused by buying the ink in bulk and at this rate it cost less than one cent a bottle.

Vacation last Monday, so no Monday morning exercises.

The third grade made "Pussy cat cards" last week.

Ten pupils in Miss Cameron's room were neither absent nor tardy during month of April.

TELLS OTHERS ALL ABOUT THIS TANLAC.

Mrs. Peter Wright, of Lapeer, Describes Relief Given Her By Use of Tanlac.

Mrs. Peter Wright of 75 Higgins Street, Lapeer, Mich., is telling a remarkable story of the relief Tanlac has given her from stomach trouble and catarrh. This is what she says:

"My suffering has been quite a trial to me but I am glad to say that Tanlac has put an end to it.

"My stomach had been in a disordered condition for a long period. In addition I suffered from catarrh with all its disagreeable features. I was nervous also and could not sleep well. My kidneys were weak. I used to have severe pains in my stomach and, after eating, I would be annoyed by gas forming.

"All this made me very run down and I was hardly fit for anything because I lacked energy and vigor.

"I have used Tanlac now for a short time but already much better. I can sleep again, thank goodness. I have no more trouble with my stomach and all the unpleasant catarrh symptoms are gone. I have a good appetite.

"I hope that what I have said will prove helpful to those who are also suffering."

Tanlac may be obtained here at the store of A. M. Lewis.

• Chamberlain's Tablets Have Done Wonders for Me. •

"I have been a sufferer from stomach trouble for a number of years, and after having used a great number of remedies recommended by this company, Chamberlain's Tablets, is the first medicine that has given me positive and lasting relief," writes Mrs. Anna Kadin, Spencerport, N. Y.

"Chamberlain's Tablets have done wonders for me and I value them very highly." Obtainable everywhere.

WANTS

Advertisements will be accepted under this heading at the rate of 5 cents per line. No ad. taken for less than 15 cents. There are about six words to the line. SEND MONEY WITH THE ORDER.

WANTED—An energetic active man to establish permanent business. Whole or part time. Health and accident Insurance. Immediate cash returns and future. Address National Casualty Co., Detroit, Mich.

FOR SALE—One good second hand river boat, \$10.00. Six 1 acre building lots, on main stream of AuSable River, (not side) where it turns toward its most Northern point (see map) ½ mile below Stephan's bridge on Sec. 4, T. 26 N. R. 2 W. Only 40 minutes drive to Grayling by auto. fine high sites, good fishing waters.

I also have one 40-acre tract on Sec. 6, T. 26 N. R. 2 W. with a fine building site. Tract well covered with timber, only 30 minutes drive to Grayling by auto. Inquire of Henry Stephan, Grayling, Mich. Box 16. 5-4-3

FOR SALE—House and lot, two doors from Dr. Insley's on Peninsular avenue. G. W. H. Hely

FOR SALE—Cream separator and Tumble churn. Phone 862. John A. Johnson 4-27-2

GIRL WANTED—To help in boarding house. Miss Edith Ballard, Phone 1004. 4-20-3

WANTED—Assistant Boy Scout master. Apply to Emerson Bates or L. C. Bungard. 4-20-3

FOR SALE—One small cream separator, one mowing machine, one hay rake, one Milburn wagon, (heavy), practically new, and two plows. Address Mrs. R. S. Babbitt, Grayling, Mich. P. O. box 3. 4-13-3

GIRL WANTED—for general housework. Inquire of phone Avalanche office.

FOR SALE—Good work horse, weight 1100. Will work single or double, nine years old. Phone 261, Frank Freeland. 4-6-1f

EGGS FOR HATCHING—from my prize-winning Barred Plymouth Rocks. Come in and look them over and book your order. Phone 713. J. M. Bunting.

Whooping Cough.

Ice Cream-- Confectionery

This is the most cheerful spot in town—the most popular spot in town, and our ice cream is the most delicious in town.

Everybody comes here and everybody knows they can meet their friends here.

They all like our ice cream, chocolates, candies, fountain drinks and other confections.

A. M. LEWIS, YOUR DRUGGIST

Local News

GRAYLING, THURSDAY, MAY 4

Take that watch to Hathaway. He will make it keep correct time.

Miss Agnes Hanson of Mt. Pleasant is visiting her parents in this city.

Clarence Claggett and family of Johannesburg are moving from that town to Custer, Ohio.

Mrs. Samuel Kestenholtz and little son, Lynn have returned from a week's visit with her parents near Roscommon.

Base ball Friday, May 5th: Gaylord High school vs Grayling High school. Game called at 3:30. Admission 15 and 25 cents.

The Mercy hospital aid will meet with Mrs. Hans Petersen next Thursday afternoon, May 11. Mrs. Petersen and Mrs. L. J. Kraus will entertain.

Grand Secretary Fred A. Rogers of the I. O. O. F. was a pleasant caller at this office today. Mr. Rogers is editor and publisher of the Reading Hustler, Reading, Mich.

The regular meeting of the M. E. Ladies' aid will meet at the home of Mrs. George Smith Friday afternoon, May 5. Mrs. Smith, Mrs. Phelps and Mrs. Heath will entertain.

Misses Eloise Berry and Dorothy Boehringer of Bay City were guests of Miss Mildred Bunting a couple of days last week, and attended the Masonic ball last Wednesday evening.

Dr. O. Palmer and T. W. Hanson of this city and L. A. Gardner of Fredric, represented Crawford county as delegates to the State Republican convention held in Lansing yesterday.

Grayling Lodge K. of P. will hold a big meeting and banquet at their lodge rooms, Friday evening of this week. There will be intertaining work in the third rank. Members please be present.

The annual tax sales for Crawford county were held at the Court house first of the week and practically every description, \$31 in all, were sold. There were quite a number of bidders present at the sessions.

Mr. and Mrs. Hiram Smith of Roscommon, Miss Mollie Johnson of Saginaw, Messrs. Fred Martin of Reed City and Russell Jameson of Gaylord, Mrs. John Carlson and Mac Carlson of Bay City were among those from out-of-town, who attended the Masonic ball here last Wednesday evening.

The Mothers' and patrons' meeting for the month of May will be held in the school house next Tuesday evening, May 9th at 7:15 o'clock. An interesting program has been arranged for this evening, and it is hoped that all mothers of young boys and girls will attend, as well as ladies, who are interested in the moral, social and civic conditions of Grayling.

Hungry People

Try our high grade Flour and Corn Meal. Nothing better grounds. Our Rice is very fine and free from impurities. Everybody likes it.

Everybody likes our brands of Tea and Coffee, very high grade and sold very cheap.

Try our splendid line of Canned Goods. Made from the best grade of fruits, and very delicious.

We just know you will be delighted with our bottled goods—Olives, Pickles, everything your mind can conceive.

Fresh Vegetables Arrive Every Tuesday and Friday

**DeWaele & Son
GROCERS**

The Home of Good Things to Eat

CRAWFORD AVALANCHE

Nels Corwin is in Detroit this week on business.

Miss Alice Brink of Bay City spent the latter part of last week here visiting friends.

Why be without a timepiece. You can get one of Hathaway on time, if you cannot pay cash.

Rev. Mitchell preached a special sermon to the Odd Fellows at Midway Wednesday of last week.

Wall paper and paint from factory to you. Get our prices before buying.

Sorenson Bros.

Charlie Shultz, newly elected highway commissioner of Beaver Creek, was a pleasant caller at this office Tuesday.

Dr. C. R. Keyport has purchased the Will Havens lots on Peninsular avenue and intends to build a house thereon soon.

Ges. Lather and wife of Traverse City were in the city last of last week, the former attending the opening hotel banquet.

Anyone having old newspapers and magazines are requested to notify some member of the Ladies Aid society, and they will be called for.

Read "The Red Circle" in the Avalanche, beginning with this issue and then go to the Opera house next Monday night and see the pictures.

The Loyal Order of Moose will give card and dancing party at their lodge rooms tonight—Thursday. All members and their ladies are invited.

Mrs. J. B. Woodburn returned from Eaton Rapids, Tuesday where she had been visiting a sister. She left last fall and has been spending the time in Indianapolis, Ind., Detroit and other cities.

O. F. Barnes, chairman of the State Tax Commission, and the members of the County Board of supervisors were guests of County Clerk J. J. Niederer at a dinner party at Shoppenagon's Inn last night.

The Royal Café has been nicely interior painted. The counter has been moved to the west side of the room to make space for a new soda fountain. The culinary department has been moved back a notch.

Mrs. Raleigh K. Stitt of Mackinaw arrived Wednesday to spend a few days here the guest of friends. Mrs. Stitt was formerly Miss Emma Moehmann of Montague, who recently taught in our schools.

Mrs. Tillie Sparks of Galesburg, Illinois, is visiting her brother, John Larson and family. Mrs. Sparks came to care for Mrs. Larson, who was quiet seriously ill, but who is now on the road to recovery.

Eleven candidates took the teachers' examination at the court house last week, which were being conducted by School Commissioner James A. Kalbar, Sup't. A. A. Ellsworth and Mrs. Gertrude Peterson. There were 11 contestants, one for 1st grade, four for 2nd grade and six for 3rd grade.

Grand Master Robt. E. Newville and Grand Secretary Fred A. Rogers of the grand jurisdiction of Michigan held a school of instruction at the I. O. O. F. lodge rooms last evening. There was a very good turnout of local Oddfellows, besides several from Lewiston were present. The Rebekah ladies were invited and refreshments were served. A splendid evening was enjoyed by all.

There was a fair attendance at the musical entertainment given by the ladies of the G. A. R., at the School auditorium Tuesday night. The ladies cleared about \$19 which will be used toward the expenses of Memorial day. The entertainment was greatly enjoyed although rather too long, considering the many little school children who had to be kept up until after 10:00 o'clock, causing many sleepy eyes in school the next day.

The last meeting of the Ladies' Bridge club was held at the Social Club rooms, Wednesday afternoon. The following officers for next year were elected: Pres.—Mrs. Henry Baum; Vice Pres.—Mrs. A. M. Lewis; Sec. and Treas.—Mrs. Marius Hanson. At six o'clock a fine pot luck supper was served to which the gentlemen were invited. The prizes for this series were won by Mrs. O. P. Schumann and Mrs. Abraham Joseph.

The base ball season opened in Grayling last Friday, when the local and Frederic high school teams crossed bats on the home lot. Both teams grabbed a score in the first frame and in the fourth the visitors annexed one and Grayling three. The game stood 7 to 5 in Grayling's favor, in the beginning of the ninth inning, but Frederic got busy and tallied three more. Grayling tried to rally and save the game but were unable to annex a single tally. Karpus and Doroh were on the firing line for Grayling, and Johnson and Wilcox for Frederic. Our team will play Gaylord here Friday afternoon.

On Wednesday, May 10th, the Good fellowship club will entertain all the Woman's clubs between West Branch and Gaylord inclusive, the occasion being a reciprocity day. Between sixty and seventy club women from out of town have accepted the invitation, besides the twenty-four members of the recently organized Woman's club of this city. Features of the day will be an auto ride to points of interest around Grayling, a banquet at Shoppenagon's Inn, and a stereopticon lecture in the high school auditorium by James McGillivray, member of the Public Domain Commission and leader of the boy scouts of Michigan, on "Conservation." The lecture is free to the public, excluding children under ten, unaccompanied by parents. Mr. McGillivray carries a valuable set of slides and his lecture is a treat.

You may be next! Why don't you buy some Fire Insurance?

GEO. L. ALEXANDER & SON.

There will be a dancing and card party given by the Loyal Order of Moose at their lodge rooms, Thursday evening, May 4th. The members are cordially invited to come and bring their ladies. Light refreshments will be served.

The responsible position of toastmaster at the hotel banquet was most cleverly handled by T. W. Hanson, who seemed to say just the right thing about each speaker. This added greatly to the success of the program.

It was a hearty gathering and not a thing occurred that might have marred or caused disappointment. Our friends from Bay City all speak in the highest terms of the good time they had while here and declare that we hadn't overlooked a single detail. And we can truly say that we felt honored by their presence and had a right royal time as well as they, and hope they will want to come again.

The mission at St. Mary's church is attracting very large crowds, the church being packed at every service. Father Kirkleet, the Norbertine missionary, is conducting the mission and also the question box. His lucid explanations of the doctrines of the church and also its practices are greatly appreciated by the large audiences of Catholics and Non-Catholics.

Next Sunday evening the mission will come to a close. The services will begin at 7:30 p.m. and the closing sermon will be, "Why I am a Catholic." All are cordially invited to attend all the mission services.

The County Board of Supervisors met in session yesterday afternoon at the request of the State Tax commission and were addressed by their chairman, O. F. Barnes. The latter instructed specifically that it was the desire of the State commission that all property in the state be assessed at cash value, based upon a general selling price.

He gave the supervisors some good suggestions as to ways and means for determining values. Considerable discussion ensued, after Mr. Barnes had closed his remarks, and many points that had been agitating the minds of some of the supervisors, were made plain.

The cash value of a piece of property cannot rightly be determined by the cost price, the price

one person might be willing to pay for special or personal reasons nor by the price received from forced or quick sale.

The Majestic Temple of Detroit, cannot be erected any cheaper in Grayling than in Detroit yet the value in Grayling for such a structure would not be 25% of what it is in Detroit.

The difference in value of a lot in a desirable residence district and an undesirable residence district may be \$200, and with identical houses built upon such lots the value of the property in the desirable district would be more than the difference on the price of the lots.

Thus it may be seen according to a ruling of the Supreme court, that the cost does not regulate the "general selling price."

Nor does the earning power of a piece of property determine its true cash value. A meat market, by virtue of the perishability of its produce, carries a comparatively small stock while a dry goods store perhaps carries many times the value in merchandise.

The market may earn just as much money as the other store yet they cannot be taxed for stock they do not own.

Mr. Barnes says that "the general selling price" alone should govern the true cash value.

Mercy Hospital Notes.

Mrs. C. J. Hathaway is getting along very nicely as the results of an operation and will be able to leave the hospital tomorrow.

Henry Spitzer of Moorestown and Alex Lawton of Ward's farm Frederic, were dismissed last week, both feeling very well again.

C. W. Smith of Riverview, who entered the hospital last Friday seriously ill, is not improving very fast.

John Mercier, who is at the hospital with a broken scapula, is doing very well.

Harry Grover of Riverview, who has been receiving medical treatment, is improving.

Mrs. Michael Shields of Gaylord was admitted last week suffering with a broken arm.

Mrs. Mark Demorest, also of Gaylord, is feeling much better this week.

Mrs. Caroline Leibitzke and baby boy of Waters, are doing very well.

Fred Rose of Gaylord is improving slowly.

Levi Abbott is at the hospital with blood poisoning in one of his hands.

The affected part is healing up very nicely.

Mrs. Reagan and little daughter, Elaine, and Mrs. Brady and little son, Paul Vincent, are all doing very nicely.

Elmer Baker of the South side is doing nicely as the result of an operation for appendicitis performed last Saturday.

Mrs. Catherine Loskos of the South side is improving slowly.

Miss Emma Woodman of Milwaukee who underwent an operation a short time ago, will soon be able to be dismissed.

Mrs. Adolph Charon underwent an operation Tuesday of last week and is getting along very well.

Frank Drzeweski of R. Hanson & Sons, Gaylord, is improving slowly.

Miss Lois Larive, who has been in a serious condition for several days with fever, is much better today.

Frank Bischoff of Michelson Lumber Co., Alpena, is doing very well, as is also Harold Zimmerman of Gaylord.

Mrs. C. L. Anderson of Ewen, underwent an operation last Saturday and is getting along nicely as the results.

James Carriveau and family moved to Frederic, Tuesday.

Mrs. James Atherton is helping to care for Mrs. John Larson on the north side.

Mrs. Willard Adams is quite ill at this writing.

Miss Beatrice Dishaw leaves tonight for North Carolina, to make her home with her mother.

Box Social

Ladies bring your lunch for two and gather at Johnson's dance hall, next Monday evening at 7:00 o'clock.

Gent's bring your money. Benefit of Victrola fund for South Side school.

Prepare for a good time.

Special Values in Middy Blouses

If you want to see new styles in Middies visit our store. All sizes at 75c to \$1.50

Ladies' Wash Skirts \$1.50 to \$6.00

Ladies' Summer Underwear

Gauze Vests 10c to 50c

Union Suits 25c, 50c, \$1.00

Also showing Kayser Silk Vests and Corset Covers

Men's Summer Underwear

A complete line in union or two-piece.

Union Suits 50c to \$2.50

B. V. D., Porosknit and Balbriggan.

Two-piece garments at 25c and 50c.

Spring Line of Shirts for Men

Is now complete

Work Shirts in a variety of patterns and colors, cut full and made well, 50c.

Dress Shirts 50c to \$2.00.

Our line of Work Shoes are fully warranted. Every pair solid. \$1.98 to \$3.75.

See our line of MEN'S SILK HATS at 50c.

Grayling Mercantile Co.
"The Quality Store."

SAY THEY HAD GOOD TIME IN GRAYLING.

Grayling Board of Trade Invited to Visit Bay City.

A letter received from Sec'y McCabe of the Bay City Board of commerce says that they had a good time here Thursday and extends an invitation to our Board to return their visit.

We believe the letter is of general interest to the people of Grayling and therefore take the liberty to publish it in its entirety.

Mr. O. P. Schumann,

Accept our congratulations on the splendid writeup on our excursion. We highly appreciate the very kind words you printed about us and I wish you would thank the members of the Grayling Board of Trade publicly for their hospitality. From the time we landed in Grayling until the train pulled out there was not a dull moment and everyone who attended speaks in the highest terms of your cordial treatment.

We are extending an invitation today to the Grayling Board of Trade to pay us a return visit at any time to suit their convenience, the sooner the better. We are very anxious to reciprocate for the many favors

The Red Circle

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Albert Payson Terhune

AUTHOR OF "THE FIGHTER," "CALEB CONOVER," "SYRIA FROM THE SADDLE," ETC.
NOVELIZED FROM THE PHOTO PLAY OF THE SAME NAME BY WILL M. RITCHIEY.

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FIRST INSTALLMENT

NEVERMORE!

"If you feel a craving to call me names," Max Lamar used to say, "call me a horsefaced or a mental error or even a dove of peace. But, unless you want to start trouble, don't call me a detective. I'm not a detective. I am a crime specialist."

He had served for years on the city's crack central office detective squad. Then, while he was still under thirty, he had laid down enough money and laid up enough reputation to leave the force and go into business for himself.

In his office sat Lamar, one spring morning, trying to coax a sulky cigar into good behavior and, between puffs, dictating a letter to Edith Hayes, his stenographer.

A clerk hurried in from the ante room, laid a special delivery letter on his chief's desk and vanished again into his own domain. At sight of the envelope's handwriting some of the unusual laziness left Lamar's face and manner. At a glance down the single official sheet of paper as he ripped it from the envelope, the very last trace of indolence was gone.

"Miss Hayes," he said, "the ball game to day will lack its most ardent fan. And never mind finishing that letter. I'll have to get out of here—locking at his watch—"in just twenty minutes. I've got to go to prison."

"Mr. Lamar!" stammered the girl, still too new in her employer's service to know when he was in earnest.

"It's true," he answered. "Listen to this."

He picked up the note and read aloud:

"Mr. Max Lamar, Crime Specialist. My Dear Max: 'Circle' Jim Borden goes free again at noon today. Since you entered private practice I have no one familiar with the methods of this master crook. Please keep an eye on him. RANDOLPH ALLEN."

"Chief of Police."

"I—I don't understand," said the stenographer. "If you're in business for yourself, why should the chief of police be giving you orders?"

"He isn't. He's giving me a chance. A chance he knows I'd be willing to pay for with a couple of my eye teeth.



He Pushed the Panting Ted Through This Opening.

That's why he wrote to me. Old 'Circle' Jim is my quarry. I've landed him three times for the chief, and it looks as if I were going to make it a fourth. Jim can't keep out of jail. Because he can't keep out of crime. And he can't keep out of crime on account of the Red Circle."

"The Red Circle," she echoed. "A circle of anarchists?"

"No. A circle of Jim Borden's. A circle on the back of his right hand, a birthmark, like a hoop or ring, in the flesh of the hand. Sometimes it hardly shows. Sometimes it blazes an angry crimson. He—"

"But what has a birthmark got to do with his being a criminal?" asked the puzzled girl. "I don't see—"

"Neither do I. But it's true. I've heard some sort of a rags-and-rope about this birthmark running through his family ever so far back, and that whenever it appears it's a sign of a criminal. All nonsense, perhaps. I don't know. But I do know that old 'Circle' Jim Borden is one of the craftiest, most invertebrate criminals in this state. And if he's out of prison it means trouble to the whole community. That was a yarn at headquarters that the old fox has a hiding place some-

where in town that no outsider was ever able to find. It may be worth hunting for. He has a son, too, knocking around the city. A cheap tough, of the cigarette-eating type, I suppose he's arranged to meet him. He'll bear watching, too, now that his old man's out."

Max Lamar was not the prison's only voluntary guest that noon. The grim old archway leading to hopelessness was graced by the presence of two women who were frequent and welcome visitors to the place—June Travis and her sweet-faced mother.

Today June had heard that "Circle" Jim Borden's sentence was to expire at noon. So noon found her and her mother in the warden's office, awaiting the convict's appearance.

The door of the warden's office opened. A keeper stepped into the room, ushering in a square-built man of fifty.

The man with the keeper was clad in an ill-fitting suit of gray, bearing in its every badly cut line the unmistakable sign of "prisonmade."

Yet, in that heavy face were marks of intellect, character, power. At sight of him, June's heart gave a queer little throb. She did not know why.

The warden rose to his feet, smiling, and stretching out his hand to the newcomer.

"Good-by, Jim," he said, pleasantly. "I hope you're going to take a brace this time. You can do it, if you try. There's plenty of chance for you yet, if—"

His professionally cheerful voice gradually died away, and his outstretched hand dropped to his side as he saw the sullen contempt in the convict's sunken eyes.

"Circle" Jim said no word in reply. He made no move to accept the proffered hand. Then, as the warden ceased to speak, the man turned to leave the room.

"Hold on, Jim," interposed the warden. "This young lady wants to speak to you."

"You are going to let me help you," she pleaded. "You are going to let me be of use to you—to be your friend?"

"Friend!" grimly repeated Borden, the prison "rasp," making his deep voice sound as though it needed oiling. "Friend? Hell!"

"But I want to help you!" she urged, undaunted. "I want you to make a man of yourself. It is not too late. If not for your own sake, then for your wife's—"

A spasm of pain twisted the heavy features. But at once he regained control of himself.

"My wife," he said, shortly, "is dead."

"Oh, I'm so sorry! so sorry," said June in quick sympathy. "But—surely you have someone—some daughter or son—for whose sake you can live honestly. Some son, perhaps, for whom you can set a splendid example of manhood—of—"

"Circle" Jim shook away her gentle hand, in a violent shudder. Then he bolted from the room, pushing past the keeper who, after an inquiring glance at the warden, let him go.

"You see how it is, Miss Travis," began the warden.

But June was not there. She had sped after the retreating convict. Mrs. Travis, worried at her daughter's impetuous pursuit of such a hopeless case, bade the warden good-by and followed.

Meantime, as a guard threw open the gate leading from the prison to the street outside, June caught up with Borden.

"I hurt your feelings, I'm afraid," she accosted him timidly, as he paused a moment, irresolute, on the pavement. "But I didn't mean to. Honestly, I didn't. And I'm sorry. Please forgive me, Mr. Borden. I know how bitterly you must feel toward everyone. But I do want you to let me do something for you. If it angers you to have me talk to you, won't you at least take this, to help you along until you can find steady work?"

As she spoke, she drew from her wrist a little roll of bills, and thrust them into the convict's calloused left hand.

The well-meant act scoured Borden, from contemptuous apathy, into flaming rage. His gnarled fist gripped tight on the money, crushing it to a wad. Then he flung it to the pavement.

Again the girl sought to detain him.

At her touch he whirled savagely upon her; his lips drawn back from his yellowed teeth; his left fist clenched and half-raised, as if to strike.

This was too much for the chivalrous rate guard. He lunged himself upon Borden, catching the upraised arm and thrusting him back from the frightened girl. The thrust sent "Cir-

cle" Jim caroming against a clean-cut young man who had just rounded the corner toward the gate.

"Excuse me, Mr. Lamar," began the guard. "He—"

Jim had recovered his balance and, disregarding the others, strode toward June; muttering angry incomprehensions Lamar, in one double gesture, slipped his own athletic body between the two and drew a revolver from his hip pocket.

He leveled the weapon at Borden who instinctively threw up his hands, as he did, so the guard pinioned him from behind.

"Here," said Lamar, briskly, as he pocketed the revolver and pulled out a pair of shining little handcuffs. "Help me put these on him."

"No! No!" begged June. "It was my fault. Please let him go. Please go!"

Lamar shrugged his shoulders.

"Turn him loose," he ordered the guard.

And "Circle" Jim scuttled off, down the street, like a bullet-traced wolf.

Lamar turned to June, raising his soft hat.

"I hope he didn't frighten you," he said. "Really, you shouldn't have interceded for him, just now. If you had let us arrest him—"

"I'm glad I didn't," she made answer. "And thank you for coming to my aid, Mr. Lamar. 'Oh, here is my mother. I want you to meet her."

As Lamar helped the two ladies into their car, a few minutes later, he had the joy of hearing June say:

"Won't you come and see us—and tell us more about your work?"

Sputtering some half-coherent reply, the usually cool-headed man stood staring in foolish happiness after the car.

With a start he came to himself. He had hastened to the prison to see "Circle" Jim Borden released, and to follow him. And—all because of one girl—he had quite forgotten Jim's

right hand," continued Spuds, delighted with the interest his words evoked. "An' on the back of his hand they was a big red ring, like it was painted there."

"The watch's owner bawled. 'Stop Thief,' and gave chase. The cry was taken up, as others in the crowd saw "Circle" Jim dart nimble into a by-street, still propelling the half-stupped youth ahead of him.

As father and son rounded the corner, Max Lamar was crossing the lower end of the Square. He heard the cries; saw the chase begin, and had a fleeting glimpse of Borden just before he and Ted disappeared.

The man for whom Max had vainly been searching all afternoon Lamar whipped out a police whistle, blew a shrill blast, then ran at full speed down the street around whose corner Borden and Ted had vanished.

With Lamar, a brace of policemen and a score of volunteer man-hunters in hot pursuit, Borden continued his flight.

Down one street, across another he raced; the pursuit ever within sound and once or twice within sight. Into the mouth of an alleyway he plunged and on till he reached a spot where a poster-decked fence adjoined the corner of a building.

There was a foot or so of space between building and fence.

He shoved the panting Ted through this opening; followed; pushed the loosened board back in place and stood an instant to get his breath.

He and his son were in a disused lumberyard. His hasty glance met no human being. But that was because his glance was so extremely hasty and because his prison-weakened eyes were no longer so keen as of yore.

For he and Ted were not the yard's only human occupants. The Pirate King shared their hiding place.

The Pirate King, in private life, was Ignatius Aloisius McQuaid; intimate, known as "Spuds." He was four

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"The Red Circle!" muttered Lamar; and just then he found the ring of the trapdoor.

"Then he paused, as if in thought. Presently he took out one of his cards and scribbled on it: 'Need Aid. Follow Boy.'

"Take this card to the first policeman you can find," he said. "Lead him here, and then go somewhere and have an ice cream cone, debauch Hurry now! Chase!"

As Spuds scampered off on his mission Max Lamar drew his revolver and stepped down through the trapdoor into the passage beyond.

Along that same passageway, not five minutes earlier, "Circle" Jim Borden had propelled his drunken son. Through what seemed to Ted a mile of underground wanderings, they sped. At last, Jim had pushed upward. Another trapdoor had yielded to the push, and the father and son had crawled out of the passage into a poorly furnished and ill-lighted room.

A bedroom adjoined this first dusty apartment. These rooms had for years been Jim Borden's unsuspected hiding place.

Jim partly led, partly carried him into the adjoining bedroom and threw him heavily upon the cot, which, with one chair, formed the room's sole furnishing. Ted, took scant note of his surroundings and was soon in a drunken sleep.

Jim, spent with his run, collapsed upon the rickety chair beside the cot and looked down in gloomy disgust upon his snoring son.

"The last of the Borden's," he mused. "We two. My son and I. I hoped—I was fool enough to hope—there in that hell of a living tomb—that Ted might redeem us. That he might prove to be the salvation of our name. And now—a thief! The cheapest, meanest, lowest type of thief! There's no hope. The sooner the Borden's go, the sooner a menace to society will be done away with. We must go; he and I."

With fingers that did not tremble, he turned on the solitary gas jet; then, with one last look at the sleeping boy, he left the room, closing the door behind him.

"He will never know!" muttered Borden, as he came out into the other room. "He will die in his sleep. Gas is mercifully painless. And now it's my own turn. My own—turn. A quickerer death and less easy to bear—"

He checked himself; the big shoulders tensing; head thrust forward, eyes alight. For, almost under his feet, he heard a muffled sound of someone stumbling in the dark.

Borden understood. His secret hiding place had been discovered.

Noiselessly, he slipped to the trap door, and stood crouching and alert just behind its hinge. A second later, the trap began to rise. Inch by inch it was lifted from below.

A pistol muzzle protruded from the narrow opening; then a hand, an arm, and a human head.

One lightning look revealed to the crouching Borden the face of Max Lamar. In the same instant, "Circle" Jim launched himself upon his toe. He seized Max by the wrist and, with one mighty tug, dragged him up into the room, slamming the trap shut behind him.

"Hands up!" snarled Borden. "Up! Up! So!"

He stood for a moment glaring in cold triumph at his helpless enemy.

Then he spoke slowly, hungrily, from between hard-clenched teeth.

"Sit down!" he said.

"Max Lamar," he said in the same slow, deep voice that robed his words of any melodrama taint. "You've sent me to prison three times. Now, I've got you."

Lamar's eye roved from the black pistol muzzle to the scarred hand that held it so menacingly.

"I see you still have the Red Circle," Jim, he said, as if to make conversation.

He was playing for time.

"Red Circle," repeated Borden, dully. "Yes. The Red Circle. It is still there, on my hand. Always there. And it has always marked one member in every generation of my family. And the person it marked has always been criminal."

"Here it ends," said Borden again; "I am going to wipe out the curse by wiping out my family. My son is in that bedroom—dying. I shall go next. With this gun I am going to shoot myself, after I have squared an old score by killing you."

Borden, as he spoke, raised the revolver a few inches, and his finger tightened on the trigger. Lamar, gathering all his strength, lunged suddenly forward, clutching Jim's wrist and twisting it to one side. The bullet went wild. In another instant, the table was overturned, and the men locked in furious combat.

Precisely, in the deathlock, Lamar's fingers found the catch that held the pistol's cylinder in place. One sharp pressure and he had "broken" the revolver, sending the remaining cartridges pattering harmlessly to the floor.

"No, sir," answered the boy. "I'm just lookin' for the place where them two guys ran into the ground."

"Into the—what?" demanded Lamar, in quick interest.

"Into the ground," responded Spuds. "They beat it into here through that place in the fence an' one of 'em—an old geezer with gray hair—he digs hero a minute an' then he ups with a trapdoor an' down they go."

Max Lamar was on his knees, frantically pushing the chips and shingles to left and right.

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SYNOPSIS.

"Circle Jim" Borden, who derives his quoted name from an angry red birthmark on the back of his right hand, is the head of a large family, and is serving his third term. It is a matter of history that one member of every generation of the Borden family has been branded with the circle. Jim's father, Jim, has always been a criminal. Jim and his wayward son, Ted Borden, are the only known living representatives of the breed. Ted, however, is a man who is detailed to keep an eye on "Circle Jim." June Travis and her mother, members of the wealthy set who are interested in the life of the common man, are the ones he is released. "Circle Jim" catches his son in the act of stealing. Realizing that his family is a menace to society, he enters the police force. Ted, however, has turned to a life of crime, and has been robbing banks.

Papers were scattered in every direction, and drawers and pigeonholes were open—and empty! Feverishly, Grant looked from pigeonhole to pigeonhole.

Every last one of them had been ransacked, and every document had been stolen from them!

"Cleaned out!" croaked Grant, dazedly. "Robbed! I've been robbed!"

"Which of you has been in this room in the last half hour?" he asked, as unconcernedly as he could force his dry throat to voice the query.

For a moment no one answered. Then Saals timidly volunteered:

"I was in here, sir, about twenty minutes ago. Maybe twenty-five minutes or—"

"What in blazes were you doing in here?"

"I just stepped inside the door, sir," quavered Saals, "to show in the lady." "The lady?" snapped Grant. "What lady?"

"Why, why, the lady, who had the appointment with you, sir. She said she'd met you in the hall and you'd told her to wait in your own office. She—"

"I haven't met any woman in the hall," denied Grant, "and I didn't tell anyone to wait here for me. What was her name?"

"She—she didn't say, sir. I supposed—"

"Young or old?" demanded Grant.

"—I don't know, sir. She—"

"You wall-eyed idiot!" roared Grant, "d'ye mean to tell me you haven't sense enough to know whether a woman is young or old?"

"Not when she's all swathed up in a heavy black veil, like that lady, sir," answered Saals, "and with a big, loose, black coat that hides her figure."

"I seen her, Mr. Grant," shrilled the office boy. "I didn't see her come in. But I seen her go out. 'Bout five minutes ago it was. She had a bunch of papers she was carryin'."

Grant waited to hear no more. Snatching his hat, he sprinted for the street.

He had left his automobile at the curb in front of his office.

Half-way across the street Grant halted, mouth ajar. The car was not there. Neither was the chauffeur.

George Grant turned in rage upon the building's special policeman who was standing in front of the entrance.

"Blake!" he demanded, "where in blazes is my car? I told Garvice to stand here till I came out. Did you move him on?"

"Me?" said the policeman. "No, indeed. Someone else did, though. Bout five minutes back. A woman—"

"A woman?"

"In a long black coat and a black veil."

He summoned a passing taxi and tumbled aboard.

"Police-headquarters!" he commanded.

Chief of Police Allen was always glad to see his former subordinate, Max Lamar. For a decade the two had been close friends. So it was with a nod of real welcome and a jolly word of greeting that he hailed Max as the latter came excitedly into his office at about the time George Grant was boarding the taxicab.

"What's up, Max?" asked the chief, noting his friend's unwholesome haste and perturbation.

"Everything's up," put in Lamar. "The Red Circle, among other things."

"The Red Circle?" echoed Allen. "Why, man, the Red Circle's wiped off the books, for keeps."

"Not is. It was. It's back again."

"What are you talking about? Circle Jim Borden's dead. So is his son. Who else is left?"

"A woman."

"A woman? What woman?"

"I don't know."

"Jim left no daughter. His wife died years ago. You're dreaming. You've worked on this 'Red Circle' game so long, you're daffy over it."

"Am I?" retorted Lamar. Ten minutes ago I saw the Red Circle. Saw it as plain as I see you. A woman was sitting in a limousine. Her right hand was resting on the window ledge. And she'd taken off her glove. There on the back of her hand was the Red Circle. Before I could look any closer, the car had sped up and chugged out of sight. I took its number, just as it disappeared in a little hurricane of gasoline smoke and yellow dust. Let me look over your state auto license numbers."

"Here you are," said Allen, producing the book.

Unceremoniously a man pushed his way past the doorkeeper and into the hallowed room of the chief of police.

"Chief!" burst out Grant, without so much as returning the other's salutation. "I've been robbed! While I

close to the vault, heard a muffled tapping and paused to investigate. He called the cashier, who alone of the employees, knew the vault's combination. The whole office force gathered inquisitively around the cashier as he unlocked and threw open the door. Out reeled Grant.

"Who did that?" he sputtered, hoarsely. "What fool stuck that door on me? Speak up, or I'll fire the whole worthless bunch. Who did it?"

There was a confused murmur from the scared employees. Grant's ratlike eyes searched every face. He read there nothing but blank bewilderment.

Still shaky in the knees from his

Trying to Be Different.
Dabbeday likes to be thought different from the common herd."

"So I've noticed. If he can't create that impression any other way, he'll declare that moving pictures bore him to extinction."

Simple Treatment.
"What did the doctor think about you?"

"He seemed to thin! I was broke."

"Yes?"

"He said all I needed was a pill."

Pleasure of Pursuit.

"Are you in favor of letting women vote?"

"Yes," replied Mr. Meekton. "But I don't believe Henrietta will ever enjoy exercising the right to vote as much as she has enjoyed obtaining it."

Paradoxical.

She—Mrs. De Fatt is a living paradox.

He—What's the answer?

She—Well, she's awfully wide—but gracious! how narrow!

CRAWFORD AVALANCHE

she slipped out of the shapelessly enveloping black coat. The coat was lined with white satin. The woman's dress also was snow white. With quick skill, she proceeded to fold the coat inside out, in such way that no portion of the black was visible. Then she draped it carelessly over her white-sleeved arm.

Raising both hands to her head, she undid the thick black veil, took it off, rolled it into a ball and tossed it into the bushes.

A black-clad woman, shrouded in an impenetrable veil, had entered the thicket. Less than a minute later, a girl in white dress and white toque and carrying on her arm a white wrap, emerged upon the farther path, and sauntered in leisurely fashion toward the park's opposite entrance.

"The deuce it was!" cried Lamar, dropping the license book and striding forward. Lamar produced a card and handed it to Chief Allen:

"That's the number I jotted down," he said. "The number of the car with the Red Circle woman in it."

"126,694!" read the chief.

"What's that? What's that?" demanded Grant eagerly.

Brusquely he snatched the card from the chief. It slipped from his awkward fingers as he grasped it, and fell to the floor beneath the window sill.

Grant stooped to pick it up. As he rose, his gaze fell on the busy street just outside, with its hurrying traffic on sidewalk and asphalt. At the glance he recognized her.

"Miss Travis!" he exclaimed, clasping the white hand she held out to him. "This is good luck! I didn't know this park was a favorite walk of yours."

"Oh, but it is!" laughed June. "I love it. It's so quiet and pretty. But I didn't expect to find a busy detective wandering dreamily about in it. I thought detectives were always—"

"Crime specialist, please, Miss Travis," interrupted Lamar. "That is, if you don't mind. If you knew, I have that word, 'detective'—"

She became aware of his companions, who stood a pace or two distant, fuming at the delay.

"I won't detain you, Mr. Crime Specialist," she said, gaily; adding, as she moved away: "But, don't forget, you promised to call and tell me about your work."

"Did you suppose I could forget it?" he made answer. "And—may I call tomorrow afternoon? Are you going to be at home?"

"Why, yes. Please come then. Good-by."

"Follow that car!" ordered the chief.

"That's all," he remarked. "Bye-bye, you slimy old money-spider. I'm out of your dirty net—for keeps."

He turned and swaggered out of the room before the astounded Grant could so much as swear at him. The letter was typewritten and very brief. It ran:

Mr. Joseph Brown: The notes which you gave George Grant for a loan at outrageous interest rates have been destroyed. Therefore, your debt is cancelled.

One Who Pities the Poor.

Grant was still raging, wordlessly.

When Saals came in to announce one John Peterson, an elderly, stoop-shouldered man, who entered on the heels of his announcer,

"Mr. Grant," said the old man, offering the loan broker a letter. "This came by the morning mail. I thought it was only fair to show you."

Grant, his eyes blurred with fury, was barely able to note that this letter was a typewriter duplicate of Brown's.

"It's—it's a lie!" he stormed. "A trick! I have your notes safe in my desk here."

"I will take that chance, Mr. Grant," replied the old man, turning to go.

The loan broker lurched dizzily to his feet. Just then Saals intruded again.

"Mr. Grant," said the clerk, "there's

seven or eight more people in the outer office; all of them with type-written letters from—"

"Kick them out!" howled Grant.

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"Max Lamar, crime specialist."

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tween the producing element, labor, and ourselves, and protect their interests as well as our own, and divide the profits between them and ourselves.

This, of course, is a problem which has been the contention between capital and labor for years, and I hope the time is near at hand when we can meet and discuss our grievances in a peaceful and legal manner, and not resort to violence or contention by force.

If you as business men ever attempt to get all the profits and give as little as possible to the grand army of working men, you will never meet with success.

Your duty also is to promote a liberal education so that we all can become better fitted for earning our bread in this journey through life. This is what our schools and churches stand for. They should point out the way and show you the duties that you owe your fellowman, your country and your God. You can never expect to enjoy health and happiness unless you have these qualities as traveling companions.

The Grayling Commercial Association will never declare war on any one, but will always be prepared to defend the interests of Grayling. We have a strong army of laboring men with us, and with it all the power of intelligence that we could possibly wish for. We are ever ready to defend ourselves with that power and shall never resort to the shot gun, which can only bring one result, disaster and ruin to all. I am sure our fellow citizens of Bay City are as well qualified to represent their interests in that line and are as equally prepared to do likewise.

We thank you, gentlemen, for making the day complete the Salting, Hanson company and R. Hanson & Sons passed out theatre tickets to the members of the families of their employees.

Saturday night Shoppeagon's Inn opened in real earnest for business. While it is doubtful if it may ever become a financial success, its prestige and influence may easily be claimed one of the important lifting levers in the progress and success of future Grayling.

NOTICE FOR GENERAL CLEAN-UP.

Wednesday, May 10th is set by Health Board.

Monday, May 10th is set for the final clean-up day and the citizens of Grayling are requested to have their places thoroly cleaned up on or before that time.

By order of Village Board of Health.

Council Proceedings.

A special meeting of the common council of the Village of Grayling convened at the grocery store of H. Petersen, Wednesday evening April 26th. Meeting called to order by H. Petersen, president. Trustees present—Taylor, Canfield, Mills, Cook, and McCullough. Absent—Jorgenson. The following petition was read, to wit:

Grayling, Mich., Apr. 24, 1916. To the Honorable Common Council, of the Village of Grayling, Crawford, Co., Mich.

Gentlemen:

In the interest of Mrs. Hansine Karoline Hanson, widow of Christopher Hanson, deceased, I respectfully petition your honorable body to permit the removal of my place of business for the ensuing year, from the saloon on the northwest corner of Block 15 to the saloon building on the northwest corner of Block 16, both in the original plat of this Village. I have occupied my present location for several years and my application for its continuance has been approved. I make this application entirely in the interest of Mrs. Hanson, and at her solicitation. Our family relations and my intimate acquaintance with Mr. Hanson has made me acquainted with his business outside of the saloon and its condition, and varied interests. All of the saloon interests of the deceased or his estate will expire, by limitation of the law April 30th, except the disposition of his property and settlement of his estate.

Mrs. Hanson desires my appointment by the court as general administrator and that I take possession of this property, subject to the approval of the Judge of Probate and the granting of this petition, believing as she does that it will be a financial advantage to her and to the minor heirs, if my personal business and office is there, as we may more conveniently consult with each other, and with the court for the final settlement of the estate. Praying that this petition be given due consideration and granted. I am, Very respectfully yours,

(Signed) John Larson.

Moved by McCullough and supported by Mills that the above petition be granted. Yeas—Taylor, Cook, Mills, Canfield, and McCullough. Absent—Jorgenson.

Moved by Canfield and supported by Cook that we adjourn. Motion carried.

T. P. Peterson,
Village Clerk.

Notice.

Notice is hereby given that the American House, in Frederic, formerly owned and operated by the late Theodore Jendron, will be closed. B.

Peter Johnson is duly authorized to collect and pay any and all accounts due and owing this place. There are several pieces of baggage left at the hotel and the owners may have the same by applying to Mr. Johnson. If not claimed on or before June 1st, such property will be sold for storage charges.

B. Peter Johnson,
Administrator.

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